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B Vintage, superior quality, Red Capsule.....	12	1.10
C Fine Old Vintage, superior quality, Black Seal Capsule.....	12	1.25
D Very Fine Old Vintage, extra superior, Violet Capsule (Old Bottled).....	12	1.50
SHERRIES.		
A Delicate Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Capsule.....	6	0.50
B Superior Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule.....	7.50	0.75
C Manzaniella, Pale Natural Sherry, White Capsule.....	10	1.00
D Superior Old Dry, Pale Natural Sherry, Red Seal Capsule.....	10	1.00
E Very Superior Old Dry, choice old wine, White Seal Capsule.....	12	1.10
F Extra Superior Old Pale Dry, very finest quality, Black Seal Capsule (Old Bottled).....	14	0.50

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A Superior Breakfast Claret, Red Capsule.....	4	5.00
B St. Estephe, Red Capsule.....	4.50	
C St. Julien, Red Capsule.....	5.50	
D La Rose, Red Capsule.....	11	12.00
E Sainte Foy, Red Capsule.....	5	5.50
F Cossac, Red Capsule.....	8	8.50
G Chateau d'Anglade.....	12	12.50
H Chateau Haut Brion Lat-rivet.....	17	18.00
I Chateau Mouton d'Armail-hacq.....	19	20.00

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Nierstein.....	12	
Hockheim.....	20	
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D Hennessy's Finest Very Old Liqueur Cognac, 1872 Vintage, Red Capsule.....	30	2.50

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A Thorne's Blend, White Capsule.....	8	0.75
B Watson's Glenorchy Mellow Blend, Blue Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark.....	8	0.75
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D Watson's E.K.D. Blend of the Finest Scotch Malt Whiskies, Violet Capsule.....	10	1.00
E Watson's Very Old Liqueur Scotch Whisky, Gold Capsule.....	12	1.50
F Daniel Crawford's Finest Very Old Scotch Whisky.....	10	1.00

## IRISH.

A John Jameson's Old, Green Capsule.....	8	0.75
B John Jameson's Fine Old, Green Capsule.....	10	1.00
C John Jameson's Very Fine Old, Green Capsule.....	12	1.10

## AMERICAN.

Genuine Bourbon Whisky, with our Name & Trade Mark.....	10	5.00
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## GIN.

A Fine Old Tom, White Capsule.....	4.50	0.40
B Fine Unsweetened, White Capsule.....	4.50	0.40
C Fine A. V. H. Geneva.....	5.25	0.50

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Finest Old Jamaica, Violet Capsule.....	12	1.00
Finest Old Jamaica, Violet Capsule.....	12	1.00
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## BIRTHS.

On the 10th January, at Seoul, Corea, the wife of Mr. F. A. MORGAN, Chief Commissioner of Royal Korean Customs, of a son.

On the 15th January, at N. 224 Bluff, Yokohama, the wife of Mr. C. W. Ure, of a daughter.

At No. 210, Bluff, Yokohama, on the 16th January, the wife of J. D. HUTCHISON, of a son.

## DEATHS.

At Hongkong, on the 28th instant, suddenly, Captain W. N. ALLISON, S.S. *Tisnan*; deeply regretted. Australian papers please copy.

On the 20th instant, at the Wilderness, Cairne Road, GEORGE EDWARD GRAY, third son of Hubert Marshall Murray Gray, of Dumblane, N.B., aged 25 years.

## The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 1893.

## GOVERNMENT VERSUS PEOPLE.

THE community of Hongkong has been accused by Mr. O'BRIEN of not knowing its own mind; of not really wanting what its advocates in Council ask for; of allowing itself to be misrepresented by men who are serving their own ends, gratifying private malice, and deliberately trying to damage the Colony's financial reputation. It is strange how meekly the Officials have suffered these insults for so long; it is still more surprising how slow the Hongkong community has been to resent such gratuitous imputations. When a member of the Legislative Council is flatly told that what he demands is not what his constituents wish, why does he not immediately turn to them? The Colonial Secretary, in his great political speech two months ago, asserted distinctly that the hon. member for the Chamber of Commerce was guided in his policy solely by spite and pique, and that the rest of the Officials were similarly actuated by unworthy motives. Why did not the Officials at once defend themselves by calling a meeting and getting an expression of opinion from the ratepayers? Perhaps they thought the Colonial Secretary's remarks not worth a reply; perhaps they trusted to be able to fight the battle unaided; or perhaps they felt keenly how apathetic public feeling always has been in Hongkong! But there is a boundary line to everything, and Mr. O'BRIEN has driven human endurance to its utmost limit. The people of Hongkong have at last taken the initiative, and the ratepayers' address, declaring their confidence in the Officials, is being eagerly signed by the public at large. There is no special organisation to carry out such a movement as this; but the private members of the community who drafted the address may be relied upon to see also to the presentation of it at a public meeting of ratepayers. It would be a vast improvement if the opportunity were taken at the same time to institute a proper Ratepayers' elected committee. The meeting might in the first place elect the present Unofficial Members of Council, and in due course a complete systematic organisation could be developed, ready at any future emergency to take immediate action in defence of the people against the domineering insolence of their own over-paid servants.

## TELEGRAMS.

## THE CZAREWITZ AT BERLIN.

LONDON January 28th, 1893.

The Czaritch has met with the most cordial reception at Berlin. He lunched at the Guards' Mess, and the Emperor William, in proposing the health of the Czar, adverted to the past close friendship which had existed between the Russian and Prussian rulers.

## THE PANAMA PROSECUTIONS.

It is reported that the magistrate recommends that the following officials be prosecuted at the Assize Court for corruption and bribery, viz:—seven deputies and senators, including ex-Ministers Rouvier, Dore, and Balbast, and two ex-deputies, Mr. M. Charles de Lesseps, Fontane, Cotte, and Blondin.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

TO-MORROW is the last day for the enrolment of Volunteer recruits.

THE U.S.S. *Monocacy* returned to Shanghai on the 22nd inst. from the river ports.

THE *Haiting* reports passing much floating ice on her trip up from Ningpo to Shanghai.

THE Italian man-of-war *Curtatone* is under orders to leave Shanghai for Hongkong and Manila.

H.M.S. *Impregnable*, with Vice-Admiral Freeman on board, left yesterday for Bangkok and the Straits.

THE French gunboat *Viper* left Shanghai, on Monday last (23rd) for the river ports to relieve the *Isontant*.

H. E. the Governor and Lady Robinson will attend the City Hall theatre to-night, and there is sure to be a large audience when Frear opens fire with his Frivolity.

H.M.S. *Rattler* left Wuhu on Tuesday last (24th) for Chikiang. The *Libert* sailed from Ningpo on the 20th for Wenchow and was to leave that port on the 27th for Foochow.

THE fine new steamer *Gilda* of the Austrian Lloyd's line arrived here on Saturday evening. A description of the vessel was given in these columns recently.

THE *Pelto* left Shanghai on the 22nd inst. for the Langhain crossing to replace the boys which broke adrift owing to heavy weather and floating ice the previous week.

THE barquette *Vagabond*, which was recently put up to auction at Singapore by Messrs. McAlister & Co., but did not fetch the reserve price, has since been sold by that firm for \$5,000.

The last of the Shanghai pilot boats recently reported missing have turned up all right.

THE members of the City Club announce a smoking concert for the evening of Saturday next, February 4th.

THE returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended Jan. 29th, are:—Europeans, 233; Chinese, 1,720; total 1,953.

WE regret to hear that Major General Gordon continues to be in such bad health that he will probably be compelled to leave the Colony at an early date.

THE Poyang Lake is reported to have been frozen over recently for the first time since 1859, when the Upper Whangpoo also was frozen hard enough to be freely crossed.

LATEST advices from Seoul (Korea) state that the Dal-In-kun, who was reported recently in Japanese papers to be in a dying condition, is enjoying robust health in the capital.

AT Foochow the snow on the 16th inst. was over 4 feet deep. Snow had not previously fallen there since 1864, and before that the latest was in 1844, only two or three inches each time.

THE *Mercury* reports heavy masses of ice coming down the Han river at latest dates; the water at Hankow had risen several inches, but, strangely, fallen about as much at Kiukiang.

THE Agents (Messrs. Dodwell, Carill & Co.) inform us that the Northern Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer *Elshira* arrived at Victoria, B.C., on her voyage to Tacoma on the 27th inst.

THE Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s Royal mail steamer *Empress of India*, Captain O. P. Marshall, R.N.R., left Shanghai for this port at 8 p.m. yesterday, and may be expected to arrive at 8 a.m. on Wednesday.

THE steamship *Cass*, owned by the Government of Formosa and which has been laid up at Shanghai for months past, has again resumed running. Our contemporary *Mercury* assumes this to be an indication that trade is reviving.

CAPT. Vincent, diving expert, and several Shanghai pilots, are (according to the *Mercury*) expected to arrive at Shanghai shortly in a pilot boat from Nagasaki with explosives for blowing up the wreck of the *Peking*. The contract for the work is said to be 12,000 taels.

WE regret to note from our Australian exchanges that Mr. Minchin, the well-known Director of the Zoological Gardens at Adelaide, died at that city on the 15th inst. Mr. Minchin, accompanied by his wife, visited the Far East some three years ago, and took with him to South Australia a large number of Zoological specimens from China and Japan.

THE *Mercury's* Chefoo correspondent writes that the steamship *Wenchow*, which left Shanghai for that port on Tuesday, 10th inst., only arrived on the following Sunday, 15th, having encountered fearful weather, with blinding snowstorms the whole way up. The weather in Chefoo was very severe, the inner harbour from Lyell's Point to the West Beach being frozen over.

THE *Torres Straits Pilot* reports that the E. & A. Co.'s steamship *Arila*, when en route to Thursday Island, stranded at 4:15 a.m. on Sunday, January 1st, on the Starward Islands. It was a dirty morning, and the vessel was going slowly. She consequently did not get ashore, and apparently suffered no damage. The tide was rising, and at 8 o'clock the vessel floated off, having been on the ground under four hours.

ON Saturday a hungry coolie abstracted an orange from a stall in Square Street, and was at once detected and pursued by the indignant stall-holder. A fight ensued, in which the daring orange-thief stabbed the peaceful merchant. At this rate, if the plunder had been a cabbage, the merchant would have been murdered out-and-out. The miscreant was, however, secured promptly, brought before Capt. Hastings at the Police Court to-day, and sent up for ninety days.

THE grim reaper Death has been very busy in our midst lately. His most recent victim in this colony is Mr. George Edward Gray, of Messrs. Reiss & Co., Canton, who succumbed, after a short illness, to the effects of an abscess on the liver, at the Wilderness, Cairne Road, yesterday morning. Mr. Gray was quite a young man, and his untimely death, owing to certain romantic circumstances of a dramatic character, is especially sad. The funeral this afternoon was largely attended, and included a number of his friends from Canton, who came specially to pay the last respects to the remains of their departed comrade.

It is with great regret we have to report the death of Capt. W. N. Allison, of the China Navigation Co.'s steamer *Tisnan*, which occurred on board that vessel in Hongkong harbour shortly after 7 o'clock on the evening of Saturday last (January 28th). For some time Capt. Allison had suffered from dropsy, and had been in poor health, but nothing serious was anticipated until Friday when dangerous symptoms supervened, and on Saturday Dr. Cowie was called in to consult with the surgeon of the *Tisnan*. It was then decided that as Capt. Allison was not in a fit state to proceed with the vessel, the vessel was advertised to leave for Port Darwin on Saturday—she should be sent to hospital. We have been informed that late on Saturday afternoon the surgeon of the *Tisnan* came to the conclusion that his patient was not in a fit state to be removed ashore with safety, and informed the representative of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire—Mr. Montague Beart, we believe—to that effect. Mr. Beart, however, it is stated, insisted on the Captain being taken ashore, as the steamer could not possibly be delayed. And from his cabin, and died on the companion ladder. The immediate cause of death, we understand, was stoppage of the heart's action, caused by the water in the legs and lower part of the body, which had not been tapped, going upwards. The remains were interred in the Happy Valley early on Sunday morning, not one of the deceased's numerous friends in the colony being present, as no notification of the funeral had been circulated. Inquiries are being made as to the reasons for the indecent haste displayed, and we shall be glad to receive any explanation from whoever may be responsible. Captain Allison first came out to China about thirteen years ago in command of the steamer *Peking*, and for a number of years ran that vessel under charter to Messrs. Butterfield and Swire and afterwards to the Scottish Oriental Steamship Co. When the China Navigation Co. placed their specially built steamers on the Hongkong-Australian line, "Baby" Allison, as he was generally known by his friends and intimates, was placed in command of the *Princess*, and held the position until his death. Capt. Allison was equally well known and popular to the Chinese and Japanese, and his death will be sincerely regretted by all who knew him. He was about 35 years of age.

THE Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s Royal mail steamer *Empress of China*, Capt. R. Archibald, arrived at Nagasaki at 11 a.m. to-day, and will leave again at 11 p.m. for Vancouver, via Kobe and Yokohama.

A JUNK-MASTER was fined \$50 by the Magistrate this morning for taking his vessel from her anchorage on Saturday night without lights or clearance papers, contrary to the law under which the Hongkong police devote their time to the Imperial Chinese Customs preventive service.

TWO of the Shanghai and Hankow steamers, the *Ngan-shan* and the *Kiangsu*, have been supplied with self-recording barometers, by the Director of the Shanghai Meteorological Society, who is also Director of the Sincere Observatory, and has furthermore supplied over a dozen of such instruments to Shanghai sea-going steamers, and the observations going on are progressing favourably.

IN the crowded state of the Harbour, it is somewhat surprising and highly creditable that the "Star" ferry launches hardly ever meet with accidents while threading their way at all speeds between Pedder's Wharf and Kowloon, even in the thickest and heaviest weather. Yesterday morning, however, the *Morning Star* and the *Evening Star* met bows-on in mid-stream, the latter being rather badly though not dangerously damaged.

OUR Japan exchanges report that the Japanese steamer *Nikko-maru*, Capt. Sakamoto, bound from Shimoda to Yokohama, grounded on the Plover's Rocks, off Ashika-shima, on the 15th inst., and will probably become a total wreck. No lives were lost, the passengers and crew being transferred to another vessel. A later rumour that the steamer had slipped off the rocks and disappeared, was unconfirmed when the mail left Kobe.

THE *Torres Straits Pilot* (Thursday Island) of January 14th says:—About 1,500 cases of pearl shell are booked to London, via Hongkong, by the *Changsha* due here to-morrow morning. About 500 more cases are awaiting the *Guthrie*. This represents that the shellers must have done well this season. On no previous occasion has the export been so large in any one month or any single shipment so heavy as the 200 tons to be taken by the *Changsha*.

ON Saturday last two coolies were caught in the act of shipping six wretched-looking cattle from Yau-mai to Kennedy Town, having just brought them from Chinese Sam-sul-po. The owners had neglected to comply with the law requiring all cattle imported into the colony to be reported, and consequently the two men were arrested. It was found that the six animals were not actually diseased, but in such a lamentable state of preservation as to be utterly unfit for food. At the Magistrate's morning Mr. Wodehouse fined the two prisoners \$10 each.

It is estimated (according to the *Mercury*) that no less than twenty-two Chinese banks in Shanghai will have to close their doors at the end of the present Chinese year, owing to the hard times lately experienced, and that the total liabilities of these banks will not be less than two hundred thousand taels. Already country depositors are calling in their money by the tens of thousands, owing to the more ominous having gotten abroad in some mysterious way. But this is only taken at what it is worth.

THE enterprises and indomitable energy and perseverance of the famous "Talkoo" hong have long been a byword throughout the Far East, and notwithstanding the huge business Messrs. Butterfield and Swire already control, they are still going rapidly ahead. The Talkoo Sugar Refinery is the largest industrial enterprise in the world, but it is not the largest refinery in the world, but it is certainly big enough for B. & S. The huge works at Quarry Bay are to be greatly enlarged, and we learn that Messrs. John Swire and Son of London have arranged contracts for machinery which, when in working order, will enable the Refinery to turn out four thousand tons of refined sugar per week. Only think of it! The buildings for this additional plant are already under construction, and are being hurried on with all possible despatch. In the very near future there will be quite a large town at Quarry Bay. Bravo, Talkoo! Gang forward!

THIS perfunctory *Shanghai Mercury* of January 24th says:—We believe our former has been learned by the victimised shareholders of that now utterly discredited El Dorado—Belmont—as to whether their alleged mine, with all its hidden millions of auriferous wealth, its magnificent crushing mill, its tunnel, railways, electric installation, and all the other costly evidences of the Director's lunacy and the Manager's extravagance, has not disappeared from the gaze of Shanghai for ever under the magic of some Yankee conjuror's hammer. We believe there is not now sufficient of the poor shareholders' Tis 35,000 left to pay even the cost of a telegram to let them know whether the mine has been found or not. It is well for them some people live such a lax place as Shanghai, where Paras, Selangors, Belmonts, and Imuris have risen and have flourished, then melted away with the fleeced shareholders' money, and no awkward questions asked.

## HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LIMITED.

The ordinary half-yearly meeting of shareholders in this Company was held at noon to-day. The Hon. E. R. Bellis presided, and there were also present Messrs. F. A. Gomes, J. Kramer, Pong Fong, Lee Shing, (Director) T. Arnold, (Secretary) N. J. Gomes, M. H. Michael, E. J. Moses, A. T. G. Silva, A. G. B. Soares, J. S. Laprak, J. Henderson, Woo Hon, Wong Ping Lum, Chun Achai, Chow Hing Ki, James H. Cox, J. Fenwick R. Solomon, G. Sharp, J. R. Michael, and Geo. B. Dodwell. The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, the report having been in my hands for some days, I presume that we may adopt the usual course and take it as read. The large number of shareholders who met at this half-yearly meeting was an improvement on the previous six months' working has only been realised to a very moderate extent. It is stated that, roughly speaking, we were working on the Canton line at about 50 per cent of our ordinary tariff rates; this state of affairs has continued throughout the half-year and the net improvement amounts to about \$15,000 only. I am glad, however, that we are able to recommend the payment of a slightly increased dividend, while at the same time we can carry forward a substantial amount to the current half-year. With regard to repairs to the steamers, I may mention that the cost of these has been considerably augmented by the *Powan* having to comply with the provisions of the new Merchant Shipping Ordinance in regard to increased life-saving appliances, and similar expense will probably have to be more or less incurred by other steamers of the Company as their turns come round for docking. The amount debited to repairs was

includes the cost of building and furnishing four new state rooms on the *Powan* and two on the *Fathian*. Some additional accommodation of this description was found to be absolutely necessary on account of the increase in the number of tourists visiting this part of the world of late. You will have observed that expense was also incurred in connection with two small accidents to the steamers *Hwangshan* and *Powan*. The damage, although small in both cases, necessitated doing for repairs, and as the Company carries 50 per cent of its own insurance, it of course has to bear a similar proportion of any claim of this nature that may arise. As the amount is only some \$1,600 odd, it has been included in the half-year's working account instead of being taken from the depreciation and Insurance Fund. The *Kiangsho* has been engaged for some time to come to an abrupt termination in August, but since which has been laid up. As there seemed to be very little prospect of being able to employ this vessel remuneratively again she was offered for sale by auction, but as no satisfactory bid for her was made she was bought in. As stated in the Report, we have lately had to effect considerable repairs to our wharves both here and at Canton. With regard to the Hongkong year, as this will be the course of the next few years have to be demolished to make way for the Praya Reclamation to incur any very heavy outlay for repairs on it, and have only had done what seemed necessary to make it good for the next two or three years



heart." Mr. Freear makes an exquisite little girl, with the most charming face and the most artistic manner, singing "I'm so shy" very fairly and dancing most gracefully.

The second half of the programme began, after a pianoforte solo by Mr. Freear, who next gave a step-dance, which was greatly appreciated. The "model Irish policeman" is a sketch affording great scope for grotesque treatment, and Mr. Freear certainly made the most of it, and was greeted with roars of laughter and applause. In his next sketch, a stump-orator on "Reform" curiously enough he looked remarkably like a famous local official orator who has lately been distinguishing himself, and spoke in very much the same style, to the great delight of the audience.

Mr. Freear's conjuring is one of the funniest and most original things ever seen, while his concluding act, the great impersonation of Madame Oyster Paul, in her "upper-middle" selection, brought down the house and knocked the audience silly with laughter.

It is to be sincerely hoped that Mr. Freear will be in improved health to-night, and acquit himself as favourably as on Saturday, to a crowded house.

### A "TIGER" STORY.

A fearful and wonderful tale of a tiger comes from the neighbourhood of Chinese Kowloon. It is said that four sportsmen, who were beating for partridge between Kowloon City and Tseung Kwan O village, yesterday afternoon, were warned by some Chinese to keep a sharp look-out for a nice climbable tree, as a tiger was about looking for them. There was near the hill hamlet of Au Tai, where two pigs had been killed by the tiger. The men paid little heed to the warning, but further on they met a great hunting party of Chinese on the way, great, armed with antedivian blunderbusses, swords, pikes, gongs, and other musical instruments, bent on exterminating something. The Chinese begged the sportsmen to lead the way into the brush, which is pretty dense about there; but everybody was very eager to see some one else go first, and no progress was made. However, a few random shots (with fowling pieces) were fired into the cover, and stones were also thrown, while some of the Chinese tried to dislodge the enemy by rolling huge rocks down from the top of the hill. But the tiger still lay low. As time went on, the hunters' feelings were worked up to such a pitch that they would have given all they were worth to meet Mr. Stripes face to face; when suddenly somebody said he saw something, and a stampede followed. In the rush for safety nobody was much hurt—certainly not the tiger.

This afternoon a party of bold sports went across on an expedition of discovery, armed with heavy rifles. No report up to time of going to press.

### NEWS BY THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The China Navigation Co.'s steamer *Changsha*, Capt. J. E. Williams, from Sydney and ports of call, arrived in the harbour late on Saturday. We extract the subjoined telegrams from our Australian exchanges:

LONDON, December 27th.

Mme Sarah Bernhardt, the famous French tragedienne, has announced herself as a candidate at the earliest opportunity for election to the French Chamber of Deputies, and calls upon the Women's League to support the candidature of a woman for election to the Legislature of France.

A French man-of-war has visited the island of Amsterdam, in the Southern Ocean, recently annexed by France. No harbor shelter was discovered, and the landing party from the warship experienced some difficulty in getting ashore, having to leave the boats and swim.

*Le Temps* says it is not surprising that the Australian colonies have become reconciled to the annexation.

December 28th.

An explosion, which caused considerable destruction of life and property, took place to-day in New York.

A number of workmen were engaged in tunnelling, when some dynamite, which was used for blasting, accidentally exploded. Six buildings on Long Island, including a post-office and a church, were shattered, and two workmen were killed.

Upon a search being made a number of persons were found buried beneath the debris, many of them severely injured.

Later particulars of the explosion at Long Island, New York, are to the effect that six persons were killed and 18 seriously injured.

People who were wounded lost arms, legs, and eyes, and in one case the throat was severed by broken glass.

The accident was due to frozen dynamite having been carelessly handled. The foreman of the work has been arrested in severity at Warsaw, Brest, and Hamburg. It is feared that the epidemic will extend beyond those cities.

Telegrams from New York report that it is proposed to hold a special session of Congress to deal with the question of immigration.

Sir Julius Vogel, ex-Premier of New Zealand, in an article in the *Fortnightly Review*, advises the adoption in England of land legislation similar to that in operation in New Zealand, and also the extension of the franchise to women, as proposed in that colony.

The Socialists in Paris are issuing an appeal to the army to join their ranks. They have also appointed a committee for the purpose of convening a meeting of the people on the day of the reassembling of Parliament.

War is impending between the Central American Republics, Costa Rica and Nicaragua, owing to a dispute in connection with the boundary of Panama.

Mr. Gladstone has expressed an opinion that the destruction by dynamite of a detective office in Dublin was an "idiotic" act, of a purely local character.

The man Kevans who was arrested on suspicion of complicity in the dynamite outrage has been released.

The police are making a close search of all the houses in Dublin in the hope of finding a clue to the perpetrators of the outrage.

It is reported in Paris that letters have been found in the offices of the Panama Canal Company which largely incriminate members of the Chamber of Deputies and the Senate in the bribery carried on in connection with the Company's affairs. The police, however, deny that such correspondence has been discovered.

The steamer *Hijrah*, bound from Cardiff to Bombay, has gone ashore at Cape Trafalgar, on the south-western coast of Spain, at the north-western entrance to the Straits of Gibraltar.

The crew were saved, but the stranding of the steamer involves a loss of £70,000.

The *Zeitung* of Berlin opposes the projected appointment of a United States official to succeed Baron Cederstam as Chief Justice at Samoa, on the ground that half the white population of the islands are German.

The cornerstone of an immense Anglican Cathedral has been laid in New York by Dr. Potter, the Bishop of the State.

The cathedral will cost £1,500,000, and will contain seven chapels, each to be devoted to services in different languages.

Vigilant precautions are still being taken in England against possible outrages similar to that perpetrated in Dublin.

The strength of the detective force has been increased, and agitators in the midland counties are being closely watched.

Three hundred Mexican insurgents have gained a victory over a force of 250 Government soldiers at Losamok. Thirty soldiers were killed during the engagement, and many wounded.

General Estrada has joined the Mexican rebels, and it is reported that he has defeated 300 Government troops in an engagement.

The United States Government have garrisoned their Mexican frontier.

December 30th.

A committee of public safety is being formed in Paris in consequence of the excited state of politics. The city has been divided into 80 districts for this purpose. The Marquis de Mores is taking a prominent part in the movement.

Mr. Zola, the famous novelist, in the course of an interview, declared that the Paris press was creating artificial excitement in connection with the Panama Canal Company frauds and their bearing on public affairs. Politics, he said, was everywhere "a dirty business," and the Royalists' hopes of making a coup during the excitement were ridiculous.

A telegram from New York reports the destruction of tramway stores in the city of Milwaukee by dynamite.

Damage was done to the extent of £100,000. The act is believed to be that of an incendiary.

Mr. Rockefeller, an American millionaire, and president of the Standard Oil Trust, who on March last gave £200,000 for the foundation of a Baptist University at Chicago, has now given a further donation of £200,000 for that purpose.

The court-martial on Vice-Admiral Fairfax, who is charged with negligence in connection with the stranding of H.M.S. *Hove* in Ferrol harbor, Spain, in November, has begun its sittings. Evidence adduced before the Court shows that misleading charts of the Spanish coast are in use, having remained uncorrected since 1872. It was stated that the British Government had allowed any survey of the coast to be made on their behalf since that year, and had not asked the Spanish Government for any information with respect to currents and tides.

Eight persons who were convicted of rioting during the prevalence of cholera in Tashkent, in Asiatic Russia, last July, have been sentenced to death by strangulation.

A sad tragedy is reported from Monte Carlo, where an American, 22 years of age, having lost in gambling £3000 belonging to his mother and sister, committed suicide by lying on the railway line as a train passed over him.

Negotiations which were proceeding between the British and Portuguese Governments with respect to the frontier of Manicaland, South Africa, have ceased, it having been found impossible to arrive at a settlement.

Mr. John Morley, Chief Secretary for Ireland, has received an anonymous letter, threatening to murder him.

The *Daily Chronicle* announces that it is proposed to form a union of British capitalists, representing in the aggregate £200,000,000, the object of the combination being to endeavour to boycott the trade of Russia.

A violent outbreak took place during a fight arising out of a dispute between diggers at San Juan, in the State of Colorado, 11 men were killed and many wounded.

Brokers consider that the prospects in connection with the projected introduction of Queensland meat in large quantities to the English market are good. It is believed that there will be a free demand for the meat in the provinces.

Importers of Victoria must complain that the trade is hampered by the irregularity of shipment.

At a meeting of shareholders in the company formed to carry out the projected Channel Tunnel to connect England and France, Sir Edward Watkin, M.P., who presided said he was hopeful that the Liberal party would pass the Channel Tunnel (experimental works) Bill, enabling the work to go on, during the approaching session. Great Britain, in his opinion, was unsafe without a line of supply apart from that by sea.

Sir Edward denounced the action of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, who, as President of the Board of Trade, stopped the work in 1882, and declared that that action was abominable. Referring to the opposition offered to the scheme by Mr. Chamberlain, the Duke of Cambridge, and the late Government, he said that it was dictated by the tyrannical spirit of the aristocrats, who were always selfish and ignorant.

December 30th.

The Cunard steamer *Umbria*, which is overdue on an Atlantic trip, was spoken on the 25th inst. The steamer was disabled, but declined to accept assistance.

Paris telegrams report that the explosion which occurred at the Prefecture of Police yesterday is attributed to anarchists.

The explosion was caused by an infernal machine in the form of a clock being concealed in a coal-box in the establishment.

A Royal Commission has been appointed to inquire into and report on the operation of the Poor Laws. Lord Aberdeen will act as chairman of the commission.

Mr. Michael Davitt, who was returned for North Meath at the general election, but has been unelected, intends to contest the North-East Cork seat.

The suggestion of the South Australian Government that arrangements should be made for permanently stationing certain vessels of the Australian Squadron in South Australian ports, so that repairs needed might be done in the colony, has been referred by the Colonial Office to the Admiralty.

The Admiralty decline to give any instruction for the vessels to be fixed in special ports.

January 1st.

Tim Healy, in a speech at Newcastle on the 6th December, stated that the Irish people were opposed to accepting the clause in Mr. Gladstone's Home Rule Bill of 1875, taking the Irish in the proportion of one-fiftieth of Great Britain.

Twenty persons concerned in the late cholera riots in Astrakhan, in Russia, have been sentenced to death.

Six hundred Chinese laborers have been imported into the Congo territory in Africa, to construct a railway line there.

Numerous skating fatalities continue to be reported in England.

A scheme has been promoted for the construction of a bridge across the English Channel.

The London unemployed held a special service in South Hall, Campdenrow, on Saturday, and the preacher was frequently applauded.

January 2nd.

The Farnillier and McCarthys have been fighting at Kilrush, county Clare. A number of houses in the town were wrecked and many arrests were made by the police.

The Government of Colombia, Central America, insists on the Panama Canal Co. paying its early debt of £200,000.

The Times says that a serious war threatens Africa, in consequence of the Belgians under Mr. Kerchoven taking possession of the Upper Nile, while the Khallis, the successor of the Mahdi, has sent a force to oppose them. The Times adds that Great Britain must prevent Belgium from dealing with the Congo to suit her own interests.

President Paul Kruger, of the Transvaal, who is a candidate for re-election, will be opposed by

General Joubert, the Commandant-General of the force.

The following New Year's Day honors have been conferred: Knights of St. Michael and St. George, Dr. Brownless, Melbourne University, and Major Sydnam (late) Companion of St. Michael and St. George Mr. S. Yardley, assistant to the Agent-General for New South Wales; William Robinson Boothby, Sheriff of Adelaide.

A tragic occurrence is reported from San Francisco. A party of young men and young women were engaged in charade acting. During a murder scene a girl, who was acting the part of a king, slipped, and the knife which she held penetrated the heart of a young man who was expired in a few minutes. The young man was arrested, but the brothers of the deceased, believing the occurrence to be accidental, bailed her out.

Austrian powder factories have been forbidden by the authorities to supply Russia with smokeless powder.

Herr Bebel, the Socialist leader at Berlin, alleges that he has in his possession evidence in proof of the report that the Guelph Fund has been expended for the purposes of bribery. He asserts that during the term Prince Bismarck was Imperial Chancellor the sum of £100,000 was taken from the fund for the payment of bribes. Many of the documents bearing on the question, he says, have been burned but some are left. He also alleges that the documents are of such a nature as to implicate intimate friends of King Ludwig of Bavaria.

King Humbert, of Italy, during the course of a speech, declared that he sees the surest safeguard of the peace of Europe.

During the course of a speech the Emperor William of Germany said that it was absolutely necessary to pass the Army Bill, and that he was determined to crush those who opposed him.

Extreme distress exists in Russia amongst the unemployed, and it is estimated that there are not less than 2,500,000 persons who are unable to obtain work. With a view of relieving the distress the Government is taking steps to transfer the population from congested centres to other parts of the country.

January 3rd.

An example of unexampled size has fallen at Potosi, in Spain. A commission of scientific men has been appointed to examine the mine.

No political knights have been made in connection with the distribution of New Year honors. In addition to those already announced the Dewar of Mysore has been made a Knight Commander of the Star of India (K.C.S.I.), and seven prominent natives of India have also been decorated.

Capitaine Theobald, who served in connection with the Maori war, has been promoted to the position of Rear-Admiral.

Mr. Ferdinand de Lesseps has been informed of the arrest of his son, M. Charles de Lesseps, in connection with the Panama Canal scandal. The news was, however, reported from him on account of his serious illness. The father was deeply moved, and said that political intrigues had ruined the company. He regarded the attitude of M. Loubet, the ex-Premier, in the Chamber of Deputies, as an excessive outburst of pride, but he said he still esteemed M. Rouvier, ex-Minister of Finance.

It is reported that Prince Waldemar, of Denmark, brother-in-law of the Czar of Russia, is a claimant to the French throne. Prince Waldemar married the Princess Maria d'Orléans.

M. Simon, formerly Minister of Commerce and of Public Instruction in France, has advised the adoption by France of the system of Government in operation in the United States.

The report that the Guelph Fund has been expended for the purposes of bribery is discredited by the National Zeitung, of Berlin. The Berlin Post asserts that the report is a pure invention, intended to produce results similar to those brought about in France by the Panama Canal affair. A socialist authority named Norwatts affirms that the report of expenditure from the fund for bribery is true.

An agrarian outrage has occurred at Tulla, County Clare, Ireland. Two women were fired at by masked men, but neither of them was wounded. It is believed that the motive of the attack was revenge for eviction.

The Princess Marie of Edinburgh, who is shortly to marry the Crown Prince of Roumania, has renounced her claim to the British Throne.

An extraordinary conspiracy has been discovered in New York. A gang of men, it is believed, have concocted a plan to steal the body of the late Jay Gould, the millionaire. Information of the plot was, however, conveyed to the friends of the deceased, who learned that the object of the plotters was to secure the body and hold it for ransom. It was intended to drive a tunnel beneath the vault in which the coffin lies, and thus remove it. In view of this armed men have been placed on guard at the approaches to the vault, and electric alarms have been fixed around the tomb.

January 4th.

The report that Mr. John Morley intends to disclaim the Irish conspiracy is now denied.

A conference representing 500,000 members of the various mining associations of Great Britain is to meet at Birmingham on Monday to discuss the 8-hours question.

MELBOURNE, January 10th.

Dr. Madden has accepted the Chief Justiceship of Victoria.

January 11th.

Sir Matthew Davies and the other persons who are charged with issuing false balance sheets in connection with the Mercantile Bank of Australia, yesterday, and remanded until the 6th March.

It is understood that Mr. Shields is about to retire from the position of Lord Mayor of Victoria.

Five hundred tons of butter have been shipped by steamer *Ballarat* for London.

Considerable sensation has been occasioned by the suicide of the well-known Detective Lomax, by a shot from a revolver. The cause is a mystery.

Two hundred Chinese cabinet-makers have struck work in protest against an attempted reduction of the rate of wages.

The Mercantile Bank Directors, including Davies, made their first appearance before the court yesterday. The further hearing of the case has been adjourned for two months to allow of the arrival of Mr. Millidge, the manager, from London.

Two men have been drowned in the Yarra, near Footscray, through the capsizing of their boat by a sudden squall. The accident took place in the presence of a number of people, who were powerless to render the unfortunates any assistance.

SYDNEY, January 10th.

A shocking tragedy occurred at Balmain, near Sydney, yesterday morning, when a widow named Mary Johnston, who is apparently insane, murdered her infant child under most barbarous circumstances.

A Chinaman was assaulted and fatally injured at Redfern, Sydney, on Boxing Day, and the coroner's jury returned a verdict of wilful murder against two youths named Mercer and Harrington, who have been arrested as being concerned in the outrage.

The intercolonial cricket match was continued yesterday. In their first innings the New South

Wales team scored 335 runs, and the South Australians lost 8 wickets for 155 runs.

January 12th.

The cricket match between South Australia and New South Wales was concluded at Sydney on Tuesday, the latter winning by an innings and 60 runs. Their opponents made 185 in the first and 91 in the second innings.

At the Sydney Police Court yesterday, Otto Schnitzler was fined £300 for having an illicit still and selling illicit spirits.

January 13th.

Another terrible tragedy took place in Sydney yesterday, a man named Van Kasper having shot a Miss Wilson in mistake. It is supposed, for his wife, and then shot himself. Death in both cases was instantaneous.

A man named Alfred Yeomans, whilst riding on a bicycle near Quambeyan, collided with a train and was cut to pieces.

Further discoveries by the police go to show that the practice of infanticide in the city has developed to an appalling extent. Many bodies of infants have lately been found in the harbour, whilst assisting to remove furniture from a burning house in Balmain.

The wife of a selector residing near Dubbo has been found in her bed shot dead. Her husband was absent from home. A youth who is known to have previously made improper proposals to the woman, has been arrested on suspicion.

LONDON, January 9th.

Miss Shaw, the special representative of the London Times, writing to the journal, says that she considers the sugar industry in Queensland is a remunerative enterprise, though its advantages have hardly yet been realized. She also draws attention to the wealth possessed by the class in cedar scrub in the North.

At an anti-Semitic meeting in Paris, which was attended by a number of Socialists, a lighted dynamite cartridge was thrown amongst the people present and a general stampede ensued, but no one was hurt. The procession then marched to the Rothschild Bank, shouting "Down with the Jews," but they were dispersed by the police.

In view of an intended eviction at Bodys, County Clare, Ireland, the tenants barricaded the roads and stoned the scouts on the adjacent hills. Armed police are patrolling the country to protect the bailiffs.

A quantity of dynamite was placed on a railway at Dortmund, Germany, to wreck the express train from Berlin to Cologne. A railway truck was destroyed by the explosion, but no one was injured.

January 15th.

The recently-formed French Ministry have resigned, but have been reconstructed without any change in the Premiership, only de Freycinet and Loubet retiring.

The London unemployed have deputed 12 of the hungry and most ragged of their number to wait on Mr. Gladstone and demand relief. It is also proposed that 1000 of the unemployed should march to Westminster on the occasion of the opening of Parliament.

The *Kushka* is now discharging her cargo of frozen meat in London. The Brisbane beef is reported to be in good condition.

Serious electric riots occurred at Belgrade, in Serbia; five gendarmes were killed, and 200 persons have been arrested.

A conference representing 300,000 members of the miners' federation of Great Britain, sitting at Birmingham to consider the 8-hours question.

Charles de Lesseps, one of the implicated Directors of the Panama Canal Company, made some serious admissions before the Court.

A fire at Boston caused the destruction of 5,500 lbs. of wool, the loss being estimated at £300,000.

January 16th.

A sacrilegious attempt to annex the corpse of Jay Gould, the late millionaire, with the object of extorting a ransom, has been frustrated. The vault where the remains lie is being guarded night and day.

It is expected that the Indian deficit this year will amount to one and a half millions sterling. Victorian-made brandy is commanding steady sale.

An River Thames is frozen and temporarily converted into a national playground for skaters. There have been a large number of casualties, through ice-breaks.

Heavy snowfalls have fallen in many parts of Europe, and railway traffic is blocked in several localities.

Severe storms have occurred in the Black Sea resulting in the wreck of thirty steamers and other vessels and the loss of many lives.

A bill to prohibit the immigration of paupers and other undesirable persons is now passing its stages through the American Legislature.

The total of the Panama Canal Co. directors has clearly proved that a sum equal to £5,000,000 was squandered in bribery.

An attempt has been made to wreck the Berlin-Cologne train. Dynamite was placed on the rails, but the explosion resulted in damage to the line only. Anarchists are suspected.

An immense influx of criminals has set in to Chicago. The effects of this visitation are so startling that Vigilance Committees, consisting of leading citizens, have been formed to assist the police, who are unable to cope with the trouble single-handed.

Smallpox continues to spread in Lancashire. Numerous deaths are reported, and the unusually virulent character of the disease is creating general alarm.

The large bodies of Prussian miners reported last week as on strike and in a state of riot, have resumed work.

PASSENGERS BOOED FOR CHINA.

Per P. & O. steamer *Himalaya*, from London, January 6th.—To Shanghai: Mr. Stewart, Mr. P. T. Grant, Captain McLure, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson and two children, children, Miss Sherwood, Mr. Ward. To Hongkong: Mr. W. H. Pengelly, Mr. J. A. Coombe, Mr. T. Greenfield, Colonel and Mrs. A. A. Baker, Mr. F. G. Collins, Assistant Paymaster Belling.

Per P. & O. steamer *Masilia*, from London, January 10th.—To Shanghai: Rev. S. P. Grant, Mr. H. Hutchings, Mr. E. H. Sinclair, Mr. Kenworthy, Miss Kenworthy. To Hongkong: Rev. and Mrs. Shaw and two children, Mr. and Mrs. J. Taylor and infant. From Colombo.—For Hongkong: Mr. and Mrs. Edwards, Mr. F. Bowley.

Per P. & O. steamer *Clyde*, from London, January 20th.—To Shanghai: Mrs. Conling and children.

Per P. & O. steamer *Oriana*, from London, February 3rd.—To Shanghai: Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Conling and children. To Hongkong: Mrs. E. Wodhouse and infant, Mrs. Tillet and children.

Per P. & O. steamer *Arctica*, from London, February 17th.—Hongkong: Mr. and Mrs. Wise and child, Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Ost and infant, Mr. Kenneth Mounsey. From Colombo.—To Shanghai: Rev. and Mrs. Watson.

Per Messageries Maritimes steamer *Oswin*, from Marseilles, January 2nd.—To Shanghai: Mr. Forbes, Mrs. Forbes, Misses Forbes, Captain J. McLure. To Hongkong: Mr. and Mrs. Humphreys.

Per Messageries Maritimes steamer *Yarra*, from Marseilles, March 9th.—To Shanghai: Mr. J. J. Ogle.

### THE "CHISHIMA-RAVENNA" AFFAIR.

TOKYO, Jan. 18th.

A Kobe native paper the *Asahi* publishes the following telegram:—

Notwithstanding the decision in the British Consulate at Yokohama acquitting the Captain of the *Ravenna* from all blame, the Japanese Naval Department is dissatisfied with the decision and contemplates bringing criminal charges of manslaughter against Captain Brown, besides entering a civil claim for damages against the P. & O. Company.

The agent of the P. & O. Co.'s branch office at Yokohama, being much concerned about the matter, wishes to propose a compromise, and has wired to the head-office in England for due authority to negotiate in this matter.

In a later issue the *Asahi* states that Captain Brown and the crew of the *Ravenna* having at the British naval inquiry been adjudged faultless in this matter, the P. & O. Co. has resolved to institute proceedings against the Japanese Government, for damage done to the *Ravenna*, claiming the sum of 30,000 yen.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

The following is the result of the poll on Tuesday last (24th Jan.):—

BRITISH AND AMERICAN. Votes.

Macgregor, John ..... 183

Scott, James L. .... 164

Brown, C. .... 157

James, D. C. .... 154

Mores, D. M. .... 143

Forbes, J. G. .... 143

Welch, Joseph ..... 135

Cooper, John ..... 123

Anderson, F. .... 88

GRABIAN. Votes.

Henningsen, Jacob ..... 86

Kearney, Robert ..... 80

Ambrose, James ..... 77

Talbot, Wm. Henry ..... 74

FRINCH. Votes.

Names on the "late electoral" ..... 175

Number of votes ..... 77

Vouillemont, E. G. .... 71

Robert, L. .... 3

Gallard, ..... 2

Orion ..... 1

Selton ..... 1

Blank ticket ..... 1

SHANTUNG.

("N. C. DAILY NEWS" CORRESPONDENT.)

Weihsien, 6th January, 1893.

Church and State are at peace here, as indeed they always have been. Saving an occasional anti-funeral demonstration in the region of Yenchow Fu and Chihnan Fu, Shantung province has behaved with commendable decorum.

To-day our Mission reported to his honour the local magistrate the state of religion in this *Hsien*. This was in pursuance of an order from the Tientsin Yamen, respectfully submitted to us, under the usual official seal, requesting full information as to our work, to wit, names of missionaries, list of mission property, schools, churches, hospitals, etc., etc.

This action on the part of the Yamen purports to be for the fuller enlightenment concerning, and protection of, our interests, and if it be *bona fide*, it is a move in the right direction, and speaks well for the Government at Peking.

Our forced litigation with the Roman Catholics, already alluded to by your Chihnan Fu correspondent, is not quite terminated, but we hope ere long to report matters as equitably adjusted.

The Rev. J. A. Leyenberger of this mission, who has borne the burden of this unfortunate affair, expects to leave shortly for America, which he last visited in 1879. As Mr. Leyenberger has seen twenty-six years of life in China, he may be numbered among the veterans. During these years he has had signal success in his dealings with the "peculiar people," and we hope he may early return to continue his labours.

Higher temperature, with low barometer and rain, is the order of the day.

DEAFNESS ABSOLUTELY CURED.—A Gentleman who cured himself of Deafness and Noise in the Head of 4 years standing, by a new method, will be pleased to send full particulars free. Address HERBERT CLIFTON, 8, Shepherd's place, Kennington Park, London, S.E., Eng.—*Advt.*

To-day's Advertisements.

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SHAREHOLDERS are requested to apply at the Office of the Company for WARRANTS. By Order of the Board of Directors.

T. ARNOLD, Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1893. [163]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

OF

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The above will be on view on Friday P.M. TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery.

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Hongkong, 30th January, 1893. [167]

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## Masonic.

## ZETLAND LODGE.

No. 535.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 1st February, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1893. [145]

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Hongkong, 31st December, 1892. [49]

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Hongkong, 9th November, 1892. [36]

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Hongkong, 2nd August, 1892. [32]

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For particulars, apply to R. LYALL, Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1892. [39]

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No. 3, PEDDER'S HILL.

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1893. [33]

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HOUSES in KNUTSFORD TERRACE, Kowloon.

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Hongkong, 1st November, 1892. [35]

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Hongkong, 31st December, 1892. [34]

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Hongkong, 6th January, 1893. [71]

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Hongkong, 25th January, 1893. [189]

## Intimations.

## THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "Kramila"—A. B. C. Code.—TELEPHONE, No. 132.

PROPRIETORS.....THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Pedder's Wharf (the principal landing stage of the Colony) and in close proximity to the Banks and Shipping Offices.

THE HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers. THE TABLE D'HOTE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the cuisine being under experienced supervision.

THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communication.

The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Drawing Rooms, the new Bar and public BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience.

A handsomely appointed GRILL ROOM, where chops, steaks, &c., are served at any hour adjacent to the Hotel, and is under the same management.

THE WINES & SPIRITS are selected by an Expert and the BEST BRANDS only are supplied. HYDRAULIC ASCENDING ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.

NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

R. TUCKER, Manager. [108]

Hongkong, 12th February, 1892.

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RENSHAW'S Tennis Shoes, Buckskin Tops and Stained Kid's Tops.

Gentlemen's Dancing Pumps.

Ladies' Evening Shoes.

Children's Walking Shoes in great variety.

Ball Programmes.

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Comic Albums and Comic Songs, a large selection.

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Hongkong, 4th January, 1893.

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WHITE CAMBRICIES WITH NECK STRAPS.

WHITE KID GLOVES in all sizes.

PORPOISE HIDE LACED BOOTS AND SHOES.

Knickers, Knickerbockers, Knickerbockers, Knickerbockers, Knickerbockers.

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15, Praya Central, Hongkong. [52]

Hongkong, 9th January, 1893.

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Highest References.

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c/o Hongkong Telegraph Office.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1893. [155]

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORESS of the ITALIAN CONVENT, Calne Road, begs most respectfully to appeal to the residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of needle work.

Gentlemen's shirts made to order, and cuffs and collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies' and Children's under-clothing, Children's dresses, and all kinds of embroidery.

Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superiores will also be most grateful for any PARASOLS, or old umbrellas, to be made into BOOKS for the Children of the Poor Schools, who are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1893. [31]

THE DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

ON and after the 1st January, 1893, the following PRICES will be charged for MILK.

For 1 or 2 Half Pint Bottles per Day—10 cents.

3 " 4 " do. do. — 8 " "

5 " 6 " do. do. — 9 " "

7 " more do. do. — 7 " "

By Order of the Board.

W. HUTTON POTTS, Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1892. [46]

J. D. KILEY.

MANUFACTURER OF BALLOONS, PARACHUTES, TENT, &c.

No. 3, JUBILEE STREET, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1893. [63]

## Hotels.

## WINDSOR HOTEL.

(In Connaught Buildings),

QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.

THE Private Hotel heretofore carried on in WINDSOR HOUSE has now been removed to CONNAUGHT HOUSE.

Cuisine under European management. Each Bed-room has its own Bath-room, Hot and Cold water. Passenger Elevator to all floors.

Charges from \$4 per day upwards.

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Hongkong, 23rd August, 1892. [55]

HAUENSTEIN'S HOTEL.

A MOY.

THIS First-class FAMILY HOTEL is situated on the beach at KULANGSOO and has First-class Accommodation for Visitors.

An EXCELLENT TABLE is kept, and WINES, SPIRITS, and MALT LIQUORS of the very best quality.

Terms Moderate. R. HELLWIG, Proprietor. [48]

Amoy, 1st September, 1892.

## Hotels.

## PEAK HOTEL.

OPEN ALL THE YEAR ROUND.

THIS commodious and well appointed HOTEL, situated at a height of 1,250 feet above sea-level, having been leased by the Proprietors of the "VICTORIA HOTEL," is now open and will be run in conjunction with their HOTEL in Queen's Road, thus enabling them to offer special inducements to Visitors and Residents.

SPECIAL WINTER RATES.

The Rates for BOARD and LODGING during the Winter Months, from November 1st to March 31st, have been reduced as follows:—

One person, one month.....\$5.00

Married couple (occupying one room) per month.....\$5.00

One person per day.....2.50

Married couple per day.....3.50

For full particulars apply to VICTORIA HOTEL.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1892. [84]

## BAY VIEW HOTEL.

MR. OSBORNE begs to remind the Public that every possible arrangement has been made for the comfort and convenience of Visitors to this popular Summer Resort. "BAY VIEW" occupies the best situation on the Shau Wan Road, commands an excellent view of the Harbour, and is always open to the cool breezes from the Southwest. Steam-launches can at any time come alongside the jetty adjoining the spacious lawn.

The Cuisine is unrivalled in Hongkong, and only the best Brands of Wines, Spirits, Cigars, &c., are kept in stock. Private Dinners or Lunches prepared in First-class style on the shortest notice, and Meals can be served at all hours.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1892. [480]

THE BOA VISTA HOTEL.

BISHOP'S BAY, MACAO.

THIS HOTEL, situated on the sea shore in one of the best and healthiest parts of Macao, and commands an admirable view facing the South. Its accommodation is unsurpassed in the Far East.

Every comfort is provided for Visitors, with an excellent Cuisine, and Wines, Spirits and Malt Liquors of the best brands.

Hot, Cold, Shower and Sea Water Baths, Large and well ventilated Dining, Billiard and Reading Rooms, and a well supplied Bar.

A small Dairy is attached to the premises.

Mrs. MARIA B. DOS REMEDIOS, Proprietress.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1892. [480]

THE SHAMHEEN HOTEL.

BRITISH CONCESSION, CANTON.

THIS FIRST CLASS HOTEL, admirably situated within a few minutes walk of the River Steamer Wharves, is now open to receive Visitors.

The Bed-rooms are cool, airy and comfortably furnished, and the spacious Dining Room, Sitting Room, and accommodation generally will be found equal to the best Hotels in the Far East.

The Table D'Hôte is supplied with every luxury in season, and the cuisine is in expert hands.

Wines, Spirits, Malt Liquors, &c., of the best quality.

A WELL APPOINTED BILLIARD ROOM.

A. F. DO ROZARIO, Manager.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1892. [57]

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12 months.....\$393.75

Time is reckoned from date of issue to date of re-embarkation at San Francisco.

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All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full, and same will be received at the Company's Office until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Ports beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 72, Queen's Road Central.